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**REQUEST  
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Application Number	09/462,816	<b>RECEIVED</b>
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First Named Inventor	Xiaomao Li	APR 11 2003
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Examiner Name	Brian A. Whiteman	
Attorney Docket Number	1038-1003 MIS:jb	

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application**  
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1. **Submission required under 37 CFR §1.114**

a. ☒ Previously submitted

i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR §1.116 previously filed on October 8, 2002  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_

iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☒ Amendment/Reply

iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iv. ☒ Other Extension of Time Request

2. **Miscellaneous**

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR §1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR §1.17(i) required)

b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR §1.17(e)

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ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR §§1.136 and 1.17)

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iii. ☒ Other Information Disclosure Statement

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: